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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(d):

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A copy of the listed references is enclosed, together with a copy of the Search Report which was received from the European Patent Office.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Under Rule 1.56, Form PTO-1449 and a copy of each cited reference to be filed in connection with application Serial No. 09/844,843 of inventor, Claudiu D. Pruteanu, filed April 27, 2001, for "AUTOMATED LOADER ARM" is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Box DD, Washington, D.C. 20231 on August 12, 2002.



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